

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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For: MEDIA CODING FOR LOSS  
RECOVERY WITH REMOTELY  
PREDICTED DATA UNITS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

In the Claims:

On page 33, line 5, please add the following claim 14:

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14. The method of claim 12 wherein the remotely predicted units form a  
first level of remotely predicted units, the encoded bit stream includes the first and  
a second level of remotely predicted units, and the second level of remotely  
predicted units includes at least one second-level remotely predicted unit that is  
predicted from a remotely predicted unit in the first level; and the method includes: